

## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

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Hanging in effigy has been decided by a jury trial in Nebraska to be libel.

A bill making hazing a crime has been introduced in the New York legislature.

Reader, do you ever eat your supper at dinner time? Some professed Christians do.

"The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord: and he delighteth in his way."—*Bible*.

"Whoso stoppeth his ear at the cry of the poor, he also shall cry himself, but shall not be heard."—*Bible*.

Bro. E. L. Yoder has our thanks for a clipping from *Morrill News* which appears in Correspondence department.

The Ministerial Association of Oshkosh, is about to begin a crusade in that city against business men keeping their places open on Sundays.

"Whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight."—*Bible*.

The meal which Christ ate with his apostles, called the Lord's Supper, was eaten at night. The Lord does not call a meal eaten at noon a supper.

Although nature and science reveal God to us in a degree, still the most satisfactory evidences of the existence of a supreme being are found in the word of God.

Is your faith strong enough to believe God's word on every subject, because God says so, even though you, with your finite powers, are not able to comprehend the "why" in all cases?

If man cannot comprehend the undoubtedly simple laws that actuate the living world around him, need he expect to comprehend God? He must "have faith in God" who doeth all things well.

Is there a church worthy of any note that does not admit immersion to be valid baptism? Are there churches of any note that will not admit that sprinkling or pouring is valid baptism? Why not take that which all will accept?

Contributors will be notified within two weeks after receiving articles from them if they are rejected. If you hear nothing from your articles you will understand that if they reached us they are on the "hook" and will appear in their "turn."

Matthew, Mark, Luke, and Paul each testify that they had a supper—a full meal—at the time our Lord instituted the communion. Is it safe for us to rely upon Christ's precept and example in church ordinances? See Matthew xxvi, 26, 27; Mark xiv, 23, 24; Luke xxii, 19, 20; 1 Cor. xi, 25.

We are still greatly in need of numbers 2, 5 and 9. If you have them in good order and do not care to keep them please send them to us and we will allow twice their value in tracts which you may select.

Ashland county maple sugar and syrup making has come, and is now almost over. Garden making and seeding is under headway. Fields are donning their coat of green, and birds are telling us that "Summer is nigh."

While at North Liberty last week, we saw many of our EVANGELIST friends, and would have enjoyed talking to each personally, but an opportunity did not appear. Bro. J. C. Beal has our thanks for special kindness.

Master Homer's health continues to improve. La grippe has prevented our doing many important things. If we can only come to ourself we have a pile of work that we would soon brush away. But so long as this malady clings to us we cannot hope to make much progress.

Under date of 12th inst. Bro. C. Rowland, of Lanark, Ill., writes as follows: "We are still continuing our meeting, and will keep on this week. The interest increases every evening. Two came out on Saturday evening and one on Sunday evening. This makes sixteen to date. Bro. Talley is assisting Bro. Livengood in these meetings."

On a card dated Pleasant Hill, Ohio, Feb 26th, Bro. Summers says, "We are engaged in a revival at this place. Large congregations; good interest; some good being done. Pray for the success of Zion." We hope all the members there may be revived enough to subscribe for and read their church paper.

Have you ever noticed that not Matthew, Mark, Luke, nor Paul call the bread and wine a supper? The supper in each instance was eaten before our Lord blessed the bread and wine and gave to them. Are we to suppose that these men did not know the full meaning of supper when they recorded these facts?

Men of great learning and great minds, with all their knowledge, must confess that they cannot comprehend God—He who formed the worlds and all that is in them. He has, however, revealed himself to the honest, inquiring mind of the scientists, enough to establish the fact that this universe is sustained and governed by a super-human agency.

God, in his holy word, reveals himself to man in language which he can understand sufficiently well to meet his spiritual wants. The spiritually minded find food for their souls which gives to them new inspirations in heavenly matters. We will not know as we are known till we cross the mystic river. Blessed is the man who has faith in the things not seen.

The reports of numerous and unprecedentedly, large ingatherings, especially in Indiana and Illinois, notwithstanding the editor's weakness, makes this a red letter number of the EVANGELIST. So far as we know never before have there been so many encouraging reports in one number.

The *Optimist*, edited by A. D. Gnagey, and published at Meyersdale, Penn., is the name of a new magazine whose happy birth we are glad to announce. Its purpose is indicated by its name. We take pleasure in commending it to all of our readers whether old or young. Price 25 cts. per annum. With the EVANGELIST \$1.65 per annum.

Our meetings in the College chapel, conducted by Bro. Haskins, have almost doubled in attendance and interest at each succeeding service. While they continue we earnestly request that every reader of this item at sunset send up to God a petition that the seed being sown here may grow into a glorious harvest of souls for the kingdom of heaven.

We clip the following from a private letter from Brother R. R. Teeter. "I like the EVANGELIST much better in the new form. Our church is now holding a revival meeting. Brother Summers was to have been here on the 3rd, but failed to put in his appearance, so Brother Dr. Pearson and myself have been trying to hold the fort until Brother Summers gets through at Burlington, Ind. At present I preach every two weeks for the Dayton Brethren.

How true the statement of Christ that "Here we know only in part." Man, with all his magnificent reasoning powers, with modern inventions and discoveries in science, has not been able to reach the bottom, so to speak, and tell to us the causes of many of the established laws of nature. Why? Because there is a God—One who reveals to man the laws of nature and the magnitude of his power only so far as it is for his good to know. We know not what there is in reserve for those who are God's elect. "Here we know only in part."

Just as we went to press with last EVANGELIST we were called by telephone to North Liberty to preach the funeral of Mr. Samuel Arnold. To make the trip in time for the appointed hour for service we had to lay over night at Mansfield. Bro. Grubb, who had called us, directed us to go to the home of his brother-in-law, Mr. S. F. Ottinger. This we did and found a highly cultured Christian family who gave us excellent entertainment for which they have our sincere thanks. Mr. Ottinger is in the tomb stone business and advertises in the EVANGELIST. We advise our readers in need of any thing in this line to write or call on him for estimates, before placing their orders.